

HOUSE BILL 214

By Harwell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54,
Chapter 1, Part 1, relative to lighting.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

§ 54-1-1__.

After July 1, 2007, light emitting diodes lighting ("LED lighting"), or lighting similar in energy and life cycle savings, shall be used throughout the state when new vehicle traffic signals are installed and when traffic signals that use non-LED lighting are replaced. The commissioner shall promulgate rules necessary to carry out the provisions of this section pursuant to the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5.

SECTION 2. From July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2012, to the extent that funding is available for such purpose as contained within the general appropriations act, the department shall issue local implementation grants to local agencies to facilitate the use of LED lighting, or lighting similar in energy and life cycle savings, in local vehicle traffic signals throughout the state by funding the difference in cost between the use of LED and non-LED lighting.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.